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SUMMARY: THE 10TH PARTY CONGRESS COMMUNIQUE INDICATED NO CHANGE IN THE PRC'S FOREIGN POLICY. END SUMMARY

1. THE PARTY CONGRESS COMMUNIQUE AGAIN CHARACTERIZED THE INTERNATIONAL

SCENE AS ONE OF "GREAT DISORDER" ("TA LUAN", PREVIOUSLY TRANSLATED AS "GREAT UPHEAVAL') AND REITERATED THAT CHINA'S MAIN FOREIGN POLICY GOAL WAS TO CHAMPION THE STRUGGLE AGAINST THE "HEGEMONISM" OF THE SUPERPOWERS. IN THIS CONTEXT THE US AND THE USSR WERE TREATED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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EVENLY. HOWEVER, THE REFERENCE TO PROMOTING "PREPAREDNESS

AGAINST WAR" AND THE EXHORTATION TO BE ON GUARD "PARTICULARLY AGAINST SURPRISE ATTACKS BY SOCIAL-IMPERIALISM" INDICATED THAT THE ONLY CURRENT THREAT TO CHINA ITSELF CAME FROM THE USSR. THE COMCUMIQUE DID NOT EMPHASIZE LIN PIAO'S ALLEGED TIES TO THE USSR, ALTHOUGH HE WAS EXPLICITLY LABELED A "TRAITOR" AND CHEN PO-TA WAS TERMED AN "ENEMY AGENT." THE LISTING OF LIN'S CRIME DID NOT REPEAT PREVIOUS CHARGES OF HIS LINKS WITH "SOCIAL-IMPERIALISM." THE COMMUNIQUE DID NOT CITE THE LIBERATION OF TAIWAN AS A CURRENT TASK NOR DID IT EVEN MENTION THE SUBJECT. HOWEVER, ACCORDING TO NCNA, A CONTINGENT OF TAIWAN DELEGATES CHOSEN FROM VARIOUS PROVINCES REPRESENTED THE ISLAND AT A PARTY CONGRESS FOR THE FIRST TIME.

2. THE PARAGRAPH ON INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS WAS QUITE CONSISTENT WITH CHOU EN-LAI'S APPARENT WORLD VIEW. THE PREMIER'S POLITICAL REPORT TO THE CONGRESS, PRESUMABLY TO BE RELEASED SOON, WILL VERY LIKELY ELABORATE FURTHER ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

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